

REMARKS

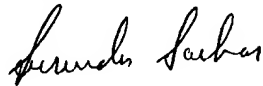
Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

The present Preliminary Amendment is submitted to cancel original claims 1-10 and present new claims 11-28 for examination. New claims 11-28 are deemed to be self-evident from the original disclosure, including original claims 1-10, and thus are not deemed to raise any issues of new matter.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-10 (Cancelled).

Claims 11-28 (New).